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Annual Town Meeting

It seemed that every body went to the Town Meeting last Monday. During one balloting 371 votes were cast. Promptly at 10 o'clock the clerk read the Town Warrant, after which Samuel E. Walker was chosen as moderator and the meeting was soon in full swing as the articles in the warrant were taken up and the polls thrown open. Twenty-three articles were acted upon when it was announced that the dinner served by the ladies of the Grange was ready down stairs. A recess of one hour was taken and business was resumed at 1 o'clock. The entire day was marked by a spirit of sanity and good will. It was evident that the progress and prosperity of our town was uppermost in the minds of all, and the results of the day in officers elected and appropriations made were as follows:

Officers elected: Moderator, Samuel E. Walker; town clerk, Josephine E. Haskell; treasurer, Frank W. Williams; tax collector, Leon R. Alexander; selectmen, F. H. Montague, George W. Carr, Edward M. Morgan; assessor, A. M. Mattoon; school committee, Mrs. Maud M. Montague; library trustees, F. L. M. Haskell, C. C. Stockbridge; tree warden, Roderick H. Parker; cemetery commissioner, C. C. Morgan; constables, H. M. Haskell, Max L. Huber, Theodore F. Dabney.

Appropriations: Town officers, \$3200; schools, \$35,700; fire department, \$600; highways and bridges, \$12,450; public welfare, \$5000; street lighting \$3515; library, \$875; cemeteries, \$650; town debt, \$6610; interest, \$700; contingent fund, \$2200; snow removal, \$1500; Memorial Day, \$150; State road work, \$8000; insurance, \$750; farm bureau, \$125; Munn's Ferry, \$225; Alexander house, \$300; Alexander hall, \$100; nurse, \$1425; tercentenary committee, \$650; gypsy moth, \$700; town hall, \$7975; reserve fund, \$500; highway safety, \$150; sidewalks, \$225; State aid, \$300; oiling streets, \$1500; soldiers' relief, \$300; purchase of old Masonic hall, \$500.

Barnes—Kohler

The marriage of Hollo Alexander Barnes to Miss Eleanor Thrall Kohler took place in Boston, Feb. 1. They have taken an apartment at 45 Rutland square, Boston.

Mrs. Barnes is an only child of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Kohler of Holyoke and is a graduate of Mt. Holyoke college, class of 1928. In her senior year she was awarded a scholarship in Columbia University. During the summer of 1928 she was engaged in social service work in Boston and enjoyed it so much that she gave up the idea of further college work. Mrs. Barnes is a young lady of much charm and strong character.

Mr. Barnes is an nephew of Lincoln Barnes of Amherst and of Mrs. Charles R. LaBelle, a summer resident of "The Ridge," and a son of Rev. Wade H. Barnes, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church at Fresno, Cal. He graduated from the Northfield high school in 1926, and spent the year previous to that at Mt. Hermon. He attended Amherst college in 1926-1927. After a year spent in business, he entered Upsala college at East Orange, N. J. He was on the debating team and the editorial board of the college paper. Last June he entered Filene's department store in Boston in the reserve department, and in September he participated in the evening division of Boston University, taking up business administration.

The young couple have the earnest good wishes of a large number of friends here and elsewhere.

Northfield Scouts on Radio

On Wednesday evening, Feb. 12, the Northfield Boy Scouts will present their annual show at Union hall, Northfield Farms. The show this year is a new venture into the field of entertainment. The entire show will be broadcast over station WNUT, which has been set up especially for this program. Plans are being made to have the program start at 7 o'clock with the broadcast of Amos 'n' Andy, but this feature has not been definitely decided yet. During the evening a minstrel show will be given, also several "vodvil" acts. One of the main features will be the "time" allotted to Mrs. Robert Dykes of Millers Falls, who will entertain with readings with musical accompaniment. Other features will include a boxing bout between two well known "baby" amateurs, short talks and musical numbers.

This show is being given on Feb. 12 as a part of the Northfield troop's celebration of the 10th anniversary of scouting in America. The admission has been set very low for the entire program: Adults 25 cents; children under 12 years, 15 cents.

Better Bus Service

In accordance with the vote at the annual Town meeting, the School Committee has arranged for the transportation of children of the town who live one and one-half miles or more from the schoolhouse. An additional bus will be put on and the conveying will begin Monday, Feb. 10. The whole arrangement is tentative and various schemes will be tried until the maximum of efficiency is obtained.

Bishop Davies To Wed

The marriage is to take place in the near future of Mrs. William S. Patten of Boston and the Right Rev. Thomas F. Davies, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Western Massachusetts and president of Springfield. Their engagement was confirmed today.

Mrs. Patten, whose home is at 388 Beacon street, was before her marriage to the late William S. Patten, Miss Anne M. Thayer, daughter of the late Nathaniel Thayer of Boston and Lancaster. Mrs. Patten has two daughters, Miss Nancy T. Patten and Miss Jean H. Patten, and there are two sons, William S. Patten, now at Harvard, and Arthur N. Patten, who is at St. George's School in Newport, R. I. Bishop Davies is the son of the late Bishop Frederick Davies and Mary L. (Hackstaff) Davies. He was graduated from Yale with the class of 1894 and from the General Theological Seminary, New York, in 1897. He served as rector in several parishes until elected Bishop of Western Massachusetts in May, 1911, since which time his home has been in the Bishop's house in Springfield. He has been a favorite speaker in Sage Chapel and at Mt. Hermon for a number of years.

North Sunday School Notes

Two prizes are offered in the senior department of the North church Sunday school to the scholars who can next Sunday recite the largest number of verses from the Bible, each containing the word "heart." In addition, they must bring the verses written on heart-shaped bits of paper. A certain sum will be made of these hearts afterwards.

Sixty-two were present at the social given by the Sunday school faculty to the employees of the Hotel Northfield last Thursday evening. They were invited to another party next October.

Miss Mary L. Moor of the Northfield Hotel has been teaching a class of intermediate girls for the past two Sundays.

Last Sunday the school voted to send \$25 out of the weekly offerings to Pleasant Hill school for the mountain whites in Tennessee.

Miss Ethelred Sheldon plays the piano for the Junior department opening exercises.

Four young people who are members of the Go-to-Church Band have not missed attending church a single Sunday for 8½ years. Think of that! It means that wherever they are on Sunday, even when they are away from Northfield, they make it a point to attend church at least once.

A Bible class for the Northfield help will begin sessions next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the hotel. The first half hour will be given over to study of the Bible, and the rest of the time to "All About Northfield" and other interesting topics.

There will be a faculty meeting next Monday evening, beginning with supper, as usual, at 6:30. There will be a business meeting and a symposium on Growth and Decision in Christian Character and Belief."

South Church Notes

In the church school, Mr. Conner is giving a series of stories of Bible characters as an exercise in mind reading for the children. He describes a character or person prominent in the Bible narratives and lets the children tell the name of the one he has in mind.

The largest congregation that has gathered for some time in this church was present Sunday, Feb. 2. The Sunday school attendance was also the largest.

Next Sunday is to be observed throughout the Unitarian denomination as Young People's Day, and in many churches the young people will take charge of the morning service. Mr. Conner will conduct the service in this church, adapting it to the youth of the parish. It will be of general interest to all, but especially to the young and those interested in the young.

Rev. E. V. R. Stires Has Son

A son was born on Wednesday to the Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Van R. Stires. He has been named Sidney Homer Stires for his maternal grandfather, Sidney Homer, the composer. This is the third child. The oldest, Louise Homer Stires, is named for her maternal grandmother, Mme. Louise Homer, Metropolitan Opera star. The second child, Ernest Milmore Stires, is named for his paternal grandfather, the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Long Island and formerly rector of St. Thomas's Church, Manhattan.

The baby was born in St. John's hospital, Brooklyn. It was stated yesterday that both mother and child are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Stires, who are among the well known visitors to our Summer Conferences, reside in Bellmore, L. I., where the young clergyman is rector of St. Thomas's Church, the congregation of which he organized. The boy is the sixth grandchild of Bishop and Mrs. Stires.

Odd Bits of Local News

Vincent William Barnes, formerly of East Northfield, is making his home with Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Barnes. He is in the taxi business in Boston.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles LaBelle of 415 Belmont avenue, Springfield, were their old neighbors on the Ridge, who sold their home several years ago to Dr. Joseph Peacock. The guests were Mrs. Helen K. DuBois of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., who is spending the winter at Winthrop Beach, Mass., following a sojourn of two years in Southern France; her daughter, Mrs. Helen Whitley of Boston, whose husband is a patent lawyer in that city, and Robert DuBois of Mt. Hermon and Princeton, who is teaching Latin and French at Wilbraham Academy. Mr. DuBois taught at Culver Military Academy for several years. He spent two years in Paris before taking up work at Wilbraham.

The next meeting of the Grange will be in Grange hall Tuesday evening, Feb. 11. The program will be patriotic, with part of the evening given to St. Valentine's.

Mrs. George Pefferie reports that a number of people to whom she sent Tuberculosis Christmas Seals have overlooked her request to return them in case they were not purchased. Please mail to her soon either \$1 or the seals.

The speaker in Recreation hall at the Northfield hotel Wednesday evening, Feb. 12, from 8 to 9, will be Mr. A. P. Fitt. The first half hour will be given to Bible study, the second to "All About Northfield." Come and bring your friends, your Bible, your copy of All About Northfield and a note book and pencil. "The more you put into it the more you will get out of it."

Miss Eleanor Mason of New York, who is a freshman in Barnard college, spent Wednesday in Northfield visiting her many friends. She left Thursday for Dartmouth, where she will attend the Winter Sports Carnival.

An Interesting Visitor

The speaker of the evening at the dinner given the Mt. Hermon faculty by the Seminary faculty last Monday evening at the Northfield was a native of India called Dhas Gopal Mukerji.

Mukerji belongs to a high caste Brahman family—the Brahmins are high caste Hindus. He was for four years in an American missionary school in India, where he learned of the outside world and got the ambition to travel. So he left home for Japan, where he spent some time. Twenty years ago he came to America and has lived here ever since except for one visit home. He married an American girl, a graduate of Smith college, and has one boy.

Some eight years ago he began to write books. Six volumes have come from his pen, and a number of small books of animal stories and Hindu fables for children. His last book is "Visit India With Me." It is an antidote to "Mother India," for in all his writings Mukerji gives the Indian viewpoint, so that the reader has more sympathy and respect for India. As a writer, he has a mystical tone and writes in most beautiful English.

Mukerji expects to return to India for a visit this summer in order to study recent political developments. He is booked for a return visit to Northfield in the fall.

The Capitol Theatre

Absolute safety in every respect is one of the paramount features of the new Capitol theatre. Nathan E. Goldstein, president of the G-B Theatre Corporation, has ordered the architects and contractors to employ every known device and material which will aid in producing a modern fireproof structure. As a result, the completed theatre presents one of the finest examples of modern fireproof construction, with the likelihood of the building ever being gutted by fire reduced to an impossibility. Not alone in the construction materials, but in the appurtenances, overhead sprinkler system throughout the entire theatre, standing pipe lines and hose connections inside the building, auxiliary fire extinguishers conveniently placed, fireproof stage drapings, asbestos curtain, and in a myriad of other devices, safety for the public has been the first thought during the building, as it will be during the operation of the theatre.

Located as it is on the ground level, egress to the street is both handy and easy. At any time the theatre, even when filled to capacity, could be entirely emptied in less than three minutes. Every door, controlled by automatic bolts, opening at the slightest pressure, opens outward into broad, well-lighted passageways, connecting directly with Main street.

Town, State and insurance inspectors who have examined the Capitol theatre say it is probably the safest theatre in Massachusetts, both in construction, physical arrangement and equipment. A parent need never fear sending children to the Capitol theatre, for they know in advance that they are in a theatre where they are actually safer than in their homes.

New President For Mt. Hermon Club

Loyal alumni of Mt. Hermon school at Northfield rallied in comradeship at the annual dinner of the Springfield Mt. Hermon club held in First Baptist church parish house. Nearly 60 men and women gathered to greet Dr. Henry F. Cutler, guest of honor and for the last 40 years principal of this noted institution.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Charles S. Merriam; vice-president, T. P. Ward; secretary-treasurer, C. W. Moody; executive committee, W. A. McGrath and Gaylord W. Douglass.

Prof. L. L. Norton of the Mt. Hermon faculty spoke briefly and informally, as did Elliot Speer, president of the Northfield Schools, who arrived unexpectedly on his way from New York. Dr. Cutler spoke informally, noting the high place the school founded by Dwight L. Moody held and pictured the significance of each word of the name, Mt. Hermon School.

Fundamentally it was chosen with a view to its spiritual significance. In closing, Dr. Cutler said with pride, "Wherever a Mt. Hermon graduate is there is Mt. Hermon."

Outstanding among the evening's talks was that given by Eric Peterson, a student at the Northfield Schools, who had been in this country 19 months, coming here from Germany. Introduced by Mr. Moody, Mr. Peterson in clipped, careful English, held his audience's closest interest while he described his three years as an infantryman in the German army.

Birthday Anniversary

The Tuesday afternoon Bible Class, after the regular session Tuesday, remembered the birthday anniversary of its teacher, Mrs. L. R. Smith. Mrs. Bessie Symonds opened her home for the party, assisted by Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle and Mrs. Hodgen.

A cheerful fire burned on the hearth, the room was softly lighted, and every one of the 18 ladies present was in festive mood. A vase of beautiful pinks, the gift of the class, was placed on the table—then the birthday cake with glowing candles was brought in for Mrs. Smith to cut. Sandwiches and delicious hot tea and other dainties were served as the guests chatted and felicitated the teacher on her skill in defying all traces of time's onward rush. May all the years deal gently with her.

Communication

Northfield, Mass., Feb. 3, 1930.

To the Editor, Northfield Press:

Some Republicans in the Second District having gone on record as supporting a personally dry candidate, willing, if elected, to vote against the Eighteenth Amendment, have thrown out a challenge to the rest of the State, viz.: Are those Republicans who put Massachusetts in the Democratic minority helping to defeat the Republican candidate in 1928, to be allowed to lead the State in 1930, thereby throwing the influence of the party toward the repeal of our State enforcement law?

Both parties in the State are agreed on practically all other issues, the only question being which party casts the vote and holds the job.

Are the thousands of Democratic women who voted for Hoover for the sake of principle enduring party persistence more loyal than the Republican women of Massachusetts?

If a wet vote is to be cast, which I doubt, I had far rather a Democrat should do it, leaving the Republican party free with national support to carry on for law and order.

The silent dry vote is not to be fooled by party pride, without principle, merely to win, and voters are not as eager as in former years to hop on any band wagon that happens to pass with calliope playing.

I can remember when a carload of beer was sold on a Sunday in those "good old days" at a small camping place in Franklin County, many bringing whiskey on the hip to add, resulting in much drunkenness.

The planks now that replace the barrels would easily be suppressed if the ardent law tinkers would put their energy into encouraging our State enforcement law.

REPUBLICAN.

Birds and Dumb Animals

In the winter season, the public requires constant reminders to reduce suffering among our winged friends and all domestic animals. Snow and ice on the ground and on lakes and running streams cuts off the supply of natural food and water from the winged and four-footed denizens of the great world and causes incalculable suffering.

It is a kind and generous act to make food and water available to creatures deprived of it by winter weather. Editors have prevented much suffering by bringing this matter to public attention and every family will derive pleasure and satisfaction by aiding in the humane cause.

Fixing It For Father

The Fortnightly has a group of young people rehearsing for a play called "Fixing It for Father," to be given in the Town Hall on Friday, Feb. 28. Father is a college professor. A friend of his, Dick Cunard (Leon Alexander), is corresponding with a widow with a view to marriage, but for good reasons does not want to use his own name, but uses the professor's instead. Father's two daughters, Elinor (Mrs. Ross Spencer), and Beatrice (Miss Evelyn Haskell), open one of the letters Father is receiving and learn of the affair. They decide to fix it so as to spoil the widow's plans. So Elinor gets her fiance, Jack Denton (Donald Finch), to impersonate the widow. Unknown to each other, Beatrice decides to get her fiance, Harry Chalmers (Paul Williams), to impersonate the professor. And there is a merry mix-up!

Other characters are Aunt Emma (Miss Ida Leavis), an old-maid sister-in-law of Dick's, who has taken up theosophy; William Merton (Richard Holton), a boyhood friend of the professor's from Virginia; Harold Merton (Clifford Bolton), his son, who stutters; the widow (Miss Viola M. Kimball), and Aunt Lize, the colored cook (Mrs. T. F. Darby).

The whole play takes place in one evening and is in three acts. Tickets will soon be on sale at the drugstores and the Bookstore. If you have heart disease, stay away—you might die of laughing.

Jubilee Week at the Garden Theatre

Starting tomorrow, "The Marriage Playground," an all-talking moving picture with all the elements of perfect entertainment—pathos, romance, comedy and drama, is coming to the Garden theatre as the main attraction tomorrow for four days, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Based on the novel, "The Children," by Edith Wharton, the production moves along swiftly, stirring the heart of the beholder to continuous emotional response. It concerns the revolt of the younger generation against the divorce-crazed, thrifty behavior of their elders.

Mary Brian, as Judith Wheater, is featured in the leading female role. Co-featured with her as the young American who befriends the unfortunate Wheater children is Fredric March.

Huntley Gordon and Lilyan Tashman are the renegade parents. The roles of the younger Wheaters are played by Philippe de Lacy, Billy Seay, Ruby Parsley, Little Mitzi, Anita Louise and Donald Smith, the latter a nine-months-old baby.

Additional support is furnished by Kay Francis, William Austin

Hinsdale, N. H.

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Railroad Time Table

The following is the time of trains on new schedule, taking effect at 12:01, Sunday, Sept. 29, 1929.

DAILY:

NORTH BOUND
Arrives 11:29 a. m. 5:50 p. m.
SOUTH BOUND
Arrives 9:26 a. m. 4:37 p. m.

SUNDAYS:

NORTH BOUND
Arrives 9:12 a. m. 5:15 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND
Arrives 8:28 a. m. 4:37 p. m.

U. S. POST OFFICE
MAILS CLOSE:
FOR THE NORTH
11:10 a. m. 5:30 p. m.

FOR THE SOUTH
9:05 a. m. 4:15 p. m.

NEW BUS SERVICE

Bus service between Brattleboro and Northampton, week days, is as follows:

DAILY:

SOUTH BOUND 1:40 p. m.
7:20 a. m. NORTH BOUND

SUNDAYS:

SOUTH BOUND 1:50 p. m.
11:20 a. m. NORTH BOUND 6:40 p. m.

12:20 p. m.

Miss Helen Curley spent the weekend in Springfield, Mass.

Joseph and Harold Redding left Saturday for Albany, N. Y.

Schools were closed on Wednesday of last week in order that the teachers could attend a meeting in Keene, N. H.

Miss Pauline Walker of Keene visited friends in town from Wednesday until Sunday.

Mrs. Vernet Slason is working at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Garfield.

John H. Meaney, Holy Cross College student, was at his home here over Sunday.

Mrs. Harold R. Weeks entertained the A. B. Club in her High street home Wednesday evening of this week.

A meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the High school this (Friday) evening, at which time Miss Marion Fitzgerald will speak. There will also be a musical program.

Mrs. Henry C. Holland returned to her home Wednesday from the Brattleboro Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Robertson were in Concord, N. H., a few days last week.

Mrs. Elwood J. Weed entertained the B. B. Club in her home on Canal street this week Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Elsie A. Fuller was in Winchester over Sunday, and Miss Isabel Brzyski spent the week-end at her home in Greenfield, Mass.

Miss Florence Duggan has been visiting relatives in Boston, Mass., and vicinity for the past week.

Miss Virginia Fairbanks of Keene Normal school successor to Miss L. Adelaide Barbrick, as teacher of domestic arts in the local high school. Miss Barbrick's resignation took effect last Friday.

Miss Irene Robertson, student at the MacDuffill school in Springfield, Mass., has been at her home here for a few days. Edwin Robertson, who also has been at his home here for some time, left Saturday for Hanover, N. H., where he has entered the Clark Preparatory school.

There was a fair attendance at the entertainment and dance given in the Town hall last Friday evening under the auspices of Unity Lodge, No. 40. I. O. O. F. Rev. J. E. Coulter of Winchester, as a comedian, rendered a most pleasing program, while Paul H. Mann and Richard L. Howe entertained in their usual fine manner. Following the entertainment, excellent music was furnished by the Royal Pythian orchestra of six pieces from Athol, Mass., for dancing until 1 p. m.

The local school teachers gave a farewell party to Miss Katherine Pierce last Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Watson. Miss Pierce recently resigned her position in the high school, as teacher of languages, to accept a position as private tutor at Irving-on-the-Hudson, N. Y. She was succeeded by Miss West of New Britain, Conn. A very pleasant evening was spent with music and cards and refreshments were served. Miss Pierce was presented a gift.

The date for the high school Senior fair has been set for Feb. 21.

Edward Plantier has bought the Montville Crafts house on Brattleboro street.

Mrs. H. F. Spitzberger of Bellows Falls, Vt., visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. D. Fay, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Richards and son of Bellows Falls, Vt., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lamb, on Thursday.

The Mary E. Bradley Mission Circle met with Mrs. Henry A. Holman this Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Alice L. Jeffords of Franklin, N. H., visited her mother, Mrs. Helen Jeffords, the last of the week.

Miss Caroline Tewkesbury of Keene Normal school visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Langworthy, from Friday until Sunday.

Abel Stevens, Mrs. Moffat and Miss Martha Gray of Cambridge, Mass., visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Nelly A. Gray, Saturday and Sunday.

Richard Erwin of New Britain, Conn., salesman and driver for W. L. Goodnow company, will return to E. N. S. for cadet teaching work at

the Central Junior high school, Feb. 3. His successor is Mr. Peel of Keene. Misses Marjorie and Priscilla Fay will do cadet work in the same school the next nine weeks.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all our friends and neighbors for their kindness and expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement.

MR. AND MRS. HARRY R. CLARK, MR. AND MRS. RALPH N. CLARK, MR. AND MRS. EDWARD BARDWELL, MR. AND MRS. D. F. MULROONEY.

Hinsdale, N. H., Feb. 1, 1930.

Aviation Enters the Stage of Orderly Growth in 1930

As aviation in New England enters the new year, orderly growth is the forecast of leaders in the industry. While the business as a whole will go through a period of consolidation following gargantuan expansion and encouraging growth in 1929, the fundamental usefulness of a form of transportation that cuts distance in thirds will insure its increased employment by business and industry.

The year 1929 saw marked development of aviation within New England. One concert alone, East Coast Aircraft Corporation of Boston, sold \$130,000 worth of new airplanes last year. The summer of 1929 saw six established air routes operating in New England, carrying passengers, mail, newspaper deliveries, express packages. Flying schools multiplied, more and more of New England's youth took to the air.

Several planes were turned out in New England in 1929 for the first time. The American Moth was established at Lowell, and announcement is that it will not be removed for consolidation with other manufacturing units of a holding company. At the turn of the year it was building two planes a week. Pratt and Whitney engines were produced at Hartford in larger and larger quantities, with more and more records. United Air and Transportation Company began the development of enormous manufacturing facilities at Hartford, including a new airport, a \$2,000,000 plant for the manufacture of Pratt and Whitney motors, and a \$1,000,000 plant for the Chance-Vought Corporation, another subsidiary.

Igor Sikorsky moved his entire plant from Long Island to Bridgeport, where the Sikorsky Company is now engaged in building the two largest amphibians in the world. The Viking Flying Boat Corporation established itself at New Haven to manufacture the French Schreck flying boat and later absorbed the Bourdon Aircraft Corporation, which turned out the first plane ever built in these States two years ago in a little plant at Hillsboro, R. I. This was the "Kittyhawk," now being made at New Haven.

Still another addition to New England's aviation industry was the acquisition by the Whittlesby Body Corporation, Bridgeport, of the American rights to manufacture the Avro Avian, developed in England. A new plane, known as the "Gee Bee," was developed at the Granville Aircraft Corporation at Springfield. At Pawtucket, the Eastern Aircraft Corporation was organized to manufacture several models of the Bavarian Messerschmidt plane. At Barnstable, Mass., Skyways, Inc., established the largest flying school in New England, with 180 acres, dormitories, shops, flying field.

With 1930 well under way, observers expected activity at the Viking plant to increase, backed by a well executed national advertising campaign. The Avian plant at Bridgeport was expected to swing into production, and the Messerschmidt at Pawtucket was expected to get definitely under way.

An air of expectancy was associated with the "Gee Bee" plant, and the result of Skyways' experiments at Boston to produce a small, medium cost amphibian such as the whole industry has sought, was eagerly awaited. At Bridgeport, the Huntington Aircraft Corporation is carrying on important experimental work. Altogether, it was expected that 1930 will bring realization of self-supporting air transportation on a widespread scale in New England, with increased aviation manufacture not far behind.

Fire and Parrots

It is difficult to think of a more horrible way to die than by fire.

It was once pointed out by a great scholar that the progress of civilization is made only over the dead bodies of pioneers. So, too, the progress in fire prevention and protection seems to await horrible fire catastrophes to arouse consciousness of the fire danger. In 1929 the red hand of fire snuffed out many lives.

In an editorial of January 17, 1930, the New York Herald Tribune pointed out that the public concern over so-called parrot fever was quite out of proportion to the seriousness of the problem. Suppose a dozen people in the United States had really died of Pottacosis, or parrot fever; there are at least twice as many deaths due to fire each day and only those actively working to prevent fires seem to worry about the appalling loss. Attention is directed to just eight recent fires that caused serious loss of life.

First in Russian motion picture theatre caused death of 120 persons; in a hotel at Amarillo, Texas, 5; in Cleveland City, 124; in explosion and fire in Eastman hospital, Canton, China, 80; in fire test at Gillingham, England, 15; in cabaret in Detroit, 11 men and nine women were burned or trampled to death; in fire in piano box company, Baltimore, four women died; in New Year's Eve fire in motion picture theatre in Paisley, Scotland, 72 children were trampled or smothered to death.

In the United States, fire takes an annual toll of 10,000 lives and \$800,000,000 in property losses, according to the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

A large percentage of deaths from fire occur in homes. This is hard to understand in progressive America, where so many fire preventions are within the reach of the average household. Homes can be made comparatively safe against fire and the life hazard greatly reduced.

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CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS, SHOES

4 More Days 4

Saturday-8th Monday-10th Tuesday-11th
Wednesday-12th

MEN'S OVERCOATS

1-3 OFF

\$45.00 Coats	Sale \$30.00
\$40.00 Coats	Sale \$26.67
\$37.50 Coats	Sale \$25.00
\$35.00 Coats	Sale \$24.24
\$25.00 Coats	Sale \$15.95

WALK-OVER SHOES

\$8.00 \$7.50 \$7.00

ALL ONE PRICE—\$5.95

HEAVY HOSIERY

Men's Heavy Grey Long Hose, to wear under Low Rubbers, \$1.35 value

Boys' Same Kind, \$1.10 value

Youths' Same Kind, 90c value

Men's \$1.25 Heavy Angora Hose

Men's \$1.00 Hose

Men's 85c Hose

Men's 75c Hose

Men's 65c Hose

Men's 50c Hose

Men's 25c Hose

Sale 98c

Sale 79c

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Automobile Liability Insurance

Rentention of the present motor vehicle liability insurance law, but with many changes designed to reduce accidents and to explode many of the false claims which may be in part responsible for the increase in insurance rates which have been made since the law became operative, is recommended in the report of the special commission created by the Legislature last year to study the motor vehicle insurance laws of this and other States and to submit to the present General Court recommendations as to whether the present law should be amended or amended.

In its report, the commission expresses strong opposition to the creation of a monopoly in the motor vehicle liability insurance field, either under the guise of the pending initiative State fund measure, so-called, or any other measure which would deprive motor vehicle owners of the service now rendered by insurance agents.

The report of the commission, filed with the Clerk of the Senate, is signed by all its members. It is a document of more than 200 pages, and contains an exhaustive analysis of the present law and of all proposed substitutes, as well as a detailed description of the manner in which classifications and premium rates are established by the commissioners of insurance.

Senator C. Wesley Hale of Springfield was chairman of the special commission, and its other members were Representative Albert F. Bigelow of Brookline, Clyde H. Swan of Barre and Daniel J. Coakley of Chicopee, with Frank W. Grinnell of Boston, Russell A. Harmon of Worcester and C. Crawford Holdridge of Milton, the latter three having been appointed by Governor Allen.

One of the major recommendations of the commission is that classifications and rates for motor vehicle liability insurance should hereafter be made by a board of three members, called the rating and control board, to consist of the commissioner of insurance and two other persons to be appointed by the Governor, instead of by the commissioner alone, as at present, and that this board be given general supervisory powers over the whole subject of motor vehicle insurance. It also recommends that this board shall take over the duties of the present board of appeal under the motor vehicle insurance law.

In the interest of highway safety, the commission recommends that no motor vehicle shall be registered until the owner produces a certificate that it is in good mechanical condition, and every registered vehicle shall be submitted from time to time for inspection at an official inspection station, such stations to be designated by the registrar of motor vehicles. The commission expresses the opinion that many cars now on the highways are unfit for operation, and that the owners of many others fail to keep their cars in proper mechanical condition at all times.

Another recommendation is that the registrar of motor vehicles be authorized to appoint such additional inspectors and investigators as he needs to investigate accidents.

As to rates, the commission recommends that those hereafter fixed shall be considered maximum rates, and that insurance companies be permitted to compete in the matter of rates, their competition at present being restricted to service. This would permit companies to grant lower rates to owners of fleets of cars, or to persons whose experience has shown that they are not involved in accidents. Such reduced rates, however, are to be subject to the approval of the rate-making authority.

A system of demerit rating, similar to that now in vogue in Connecticut, is recommended by the commission. By this plan, the registrar of motor vehicles, under rules made by the rating and control board, would classify motor vehicle owners according to their past accident experience, with penalties of 10, 25 or 50 per cent of the established premium rates, according to the seriousness and frequency of their accidents. With respect to classified owners, no insurance company would be permitted to issue a motor vehicle liability policy with a premium less than the established rate, plus the penalty determined by the registrar. Provision is made that a classified owner, by improving his accident experience, may obtain a lower classification or remove himself from the classified list.

With respect to non-resident owners, who are required to take out a policy conforming to Massachusetts law and to take out Massachusetts registration, if in the State for more than 30 days, the commission recommends that no additional insurance policy be required if the owner is already protected by a policy written by a company authorized to do business in Massachusetts and containing provisions as favorable to injured persons as those required under the Massachusetts law.

Several changes in judicial procedure are recommended by the commission, for the dual purpose of relieving rapidly-mounting court congestion and for exposing faked and exaggerated claims. These include recommendations for changes which would make it advantageous to litigants to have their cases adjudicated in the lower courts, by establishing an entry fee graduated according to the amount of the ad damnum, on cases filed in the Superior Court, and setting up machinery by which claims may be submitted to the judge of the local district court as an agreed arbitrator whose decision shall be final.

The commission recommends changes in existing laws which will permit insurance of operators of cars owned by the State and municipalities, and by charitable corporations, in order that the public may be more fully protected in case of injury. This recommendation is made on the theory that a person killed by a publicly-owned car is just as dead as though killed by a privately-owned machine.

The so-called "State fund plan," embodied in the initiative measure now before the General Court on petition of more than 20,000 citizens, and in other measures submitted to this and previous Legislatures, the commission

unanimously opposes as contrary to the policy of the Commonwealth and to the interests of the public, as impracticable and unworkable, and because of structural defects in the measure as drawn. Several questions of constitutionality are also raised.

The commission points out that the so-called "State fund plan" does not contemplate a State fund at all, the Supreme Court having recently said that neither the cash nor the credit of the Commonwealth would be available for use by the managers of the fund fund; it would be in fact, the commission says, a private corporation under the control of three managers to be appointed by the Governor. These managers would be given authority to establish such rates as they saw fit, and there would be no appeal from their decision. If, for political or other reasons, they fixed rates which would produce insufficient revenue, injured persons would be unable to collect promptly the money due them, and in the language of the Supreme Court, the fund "would be greatly embarrassed and doubtless would encounter complete disaster."

The "flat" rate of \$16 per year, applicable to all types of cars and to all localities, the commission declares, is manifestly inadequate, because the commissioner of insurance found that the actual payments by insurance companies for losses, with proper reserve for unpaid claims, averaged \$19.35 per private passenger car in 1928. This figure includes no allowance for expenses of administration, investigation of claims, etc., and the commission declares that in the second and subsequent years of operation of the fund there must be material advances in rates to make up deficits and maintain solvency of the fund.

The theory of a "flat" rate is also attacked by the commission, on the ground that it would be manifestly unfair to charge the same rate to the owner living in Nantucket, where accidents rarely occur, as to an owner in Chelsea, which city in 1927 and 1928 developed the highest loss experienced in the Commonwealth and perhaps in the United States. The commission quotes the recent decision of the Supreme Court as fully sustaining this point of view. The report also points out the injustice of charging the same rate to owners of small cars and to those who have the larger machines, quoting figures of the commissioner of insurance to show that in 1927 and 1928 the experience of insurance companies showed average losses of \$16.79 for small, or W class, cars, and \$26.54 for the larger, or Y class, cars.

Other objections against the monopoly plan are:

It does not permit the managers of the fund to bar unfit operators, because it requires them to insure every owner who applies.

It does not, and cannot, provide full coverage for any owner. The report states that 98 per cent of the owners now insured have purchased protection against accidents occurring outside the Commonwealth and on private property within the Commonwealth; if these owners desire such coverage in future, it will be necessary for them to obtain it from private insurance companies, and undoubtedly at increased rates. Many owners purchase protection for larger amounts than is required by law, and this, also, they would be obliged to obtain from private companies.

Owners purchasing such dual coverage would find themselves in embarrassing situations in case of accident, because there would be two sets of investigators and two attorneys representing the same client.

Owners would be obliged to attend personally to registering their cars and obtaining insurance, because there would be no insurance agents to attend to these details for them, as at present.

Another anomalous situation would arise in respect to every accident, because investigators representing the fund would naturally endeavor to free the insured motorist from liability, in order to reduce payment from the fund to the minimum, while investigators representing the registry of motor vehicles might at the same time be endeavoring to determine that he was guilty of such serious fault as to warrant loss of his operator's license and possible criminal prosecution.

The managers of the fund would have difficulty in borrowing money to put it in operation or to meet deficits, as provided in the initiative bill. The Supreme Court has declared that money could not be borrowed on the credit of the Commonwealth, and no machinery is provided for borrowing on the credit of the fund.

It permits claims against the fund to be filed at any time within six years after an accident occurs, the present limit being one year. This provision, the commission says, is an invitation to even greater frauds against the fund than are now practiced against insurance companies. Frauds are also encouraged, the commission reports, in the provision which expressly authorizes the managers of the fund to pay claims which are wholly groundless.

While the bills to establish a monopoly fund provide that there shall be no appropriation from the State treasury for any of its expenses, the commission points out that the Commonwealth would lose more than \$300,000 annually which is now collected from insurance companies in taxes. Grover C. Hoyt, secretary, Special Commission.

Curly Maple

The forest service says that the cause of curly maple is not entirely known. It appears to be an accidental phenomenon and it is believed that it is not hereditary. Curly maple is secured from occasional white maple (sugar maple) trees among the stands of white maple trees throughout the Lake states. In the curly maple varieties the bark curls inward, forming a notch or depression. Experienced persons can identify curly maple trees by cutting into the bark. In the curly maple varieties little dimples or depressions will show in the wood. Curly maple can also be identified from the ends of the logs.



1—Telephoto picture of wreckage of big passenger plane which crashed at Oceanside, Calif., killing sixteen persons. 2—Frau Dorothea von Velsen of Germany, Mrs. Tsune Gauntlett of Japan, Miss Kathleen D. Courtney of England and Mme. Marie Louise Puech of France, principal speakers at a public meeting held in Philadelphia for the furtherment of international peace. 3—Henry Wharton Shoemaker, historian, appointed American minister to Bulgaria to succeed H. F. Arthur Schoenfeld.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Naval Parley Starts With Good Chance for Success

—Young Plan Signed.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

EVERYTHING except the physical atmosphere of London was auspicious for the opening of the naval limitation conference on Tuesday, and every one connected with the parley seemed optimistic concerning its results. King George, making his first public appearance since he fell ill on Armistice day, 1928, started the proceedings with a warm but brief address of welcome to the delegates gathered in the royal chamber of the house of lords. He was followed by the heads of the five delegations, all of whom made appropriate speeches full of generalizations and hope.

Significant extracts from these five addresses are:

Prime Minister MacDonald of Great Britain: "If we are not careful we shall be once more involved in feverish competition such as heralded the outbreak of the war in 1914."

The way of Great Britain is on the sea. The stock of its people came from the sea; its defense and its highroads have been the sea; its flag is a flag of the sea. Our navy nowhere is superfluous to us. It is us."

Secretary of State Stimson of the United States: "I feel it is more important to emphasize the fact that we do not look upon this effort toward disarmament as final. Naval limitation is a continuous process. We regard disarmament as a goal to be reached by successive steps."

We sincerely hope that increased feeling of security may enable still more drastic reduction in the future."

Premier Tardieu of France: "Our needs are determined, as Mr. MacDonald has justly observed, by our geographical position, our historical position, our economic, maritime, colonial, political and defensive situations. Taken altogether they define what is called a nation."

Reijiro Wakatsuki of Japan: "It is the unanimous desire of the Japanese people that peace should be lastingly established. . . . I see no insuperable obstacles in our path."

Dino Grandi of Italy: "The fascist government is desirous of securing real and tangible results in the fields of disarmament and security. . . . The problem is one calling for courageous action. . . ."

FROM their public expressions and the information that came from their private conversations with one another, it appeared the representatives of the five naval powers had at least reached a unity of opinion on five broad principles. They were agreed upon the necessity for naval limitation in the sense that competitive building of war fleets should cease.

They admitted that the public opinion of the world demanded economy in naval expenditures and relief for the peoples from financial burdens. They believed it advisable that any agreements arrived at by the conference should be for a comparatively short period so they might be revised and improved in later years.

As to the last point, it was said the British and probably the Americans favored revision of agreements in 1930 and the French wished the term to be about twice as long.

The three highest hurdles the conferees will have to surmount probably are the British determination to bring about a sharp reduction in battleships with their possible elimination in the future; the contest between France and Italy for control of the Mediterranean and the Italian demand for parity with France on sea; and the desire of the French that any agreement reached shall be advisory to the League of Nations' disarmament commission.

When the question of the method of limitation comes up, the Americans and British, who prefer restriction by categories, will probably make concessions to the French and Italians, who advocate the theory of global restrictions, and offer to accept an arrangement of global limitation by which 10 per cent of tonnage may be transferred from one category to another on one year's notice.

Business sessions of the conference began Thursday, but it was the opinion of Mr. MacDonald that it would be two weeks before the delegates got to the point of putting their sea strength estimates into terms and figures. In formal meetings he urged them not to be too hasty in getting down to statistics and categories and lists of tonnage, believing the problem should be attacked slowly and piecemeal. The three hundred journalists gathered in London from all parts of the world were bitterly disappointed when it was announced that the "plenary" sessions of the conference would not be open to them for the present. Their exclusion, however, did not prevent their sending many columns of speculation and gossip to their papers every day. It is good reading but the wise reader accepts their statements with reservation.

In the house of representatives the wets had another chance for sarcastic oratory when five bills to relieve overcrowding of federal prisons were under consideration. But they got nowhere and the bills were passed.

Federal Judge J. W. Woodrough at Omaha declared unconstitutional part of the prohibition act which permits personal injunctions against habitual violators of the law.

SECRETARY OF COMMERCE LAMONT announced that, on the basis of statistics compiled by the new construction division of his department, it seemed certain there would be in 1930 an expenditure of almost seven billion dollars on construction and maintenance of public works and public utilities. This total, Mr. Lamont said, does not include residences, commercial and industrial structures and other private operations which last year totaled more than three billion dollars.

Programs for betterments to plant and equipment, announced by public utilities, railroads and telegraph companies represent expenditures of \$3,250,000,000, divided as follows: Class A railroads, \$1,050,00,000; electric, gas and street railway companies, \$1,400,000,000; American Telephone and Telegraph company, \$700,000; independent telephone and telegraph companies, short line railroads and privately owned waterworks, \$100,000.

Complete returns from the governors of 26 states indicate probable expenditures of \$1,778,742,001 for public works and this combined with conservative estimates based on partial returns from the remaining 22 states aggregating \$1,275,000,000, it was stated would give an indicated total of \$3,053,742,900 for public construction by the various states. When federal construction is included, this total for public construction, it is estimated, will be increased to \$3,325,000,000.

FOURTEEN passengers and two pilots lost their lives in what was called the worst tragedy in the history of aviation, near Oceanside, Calif. A big tri-motored plane that was bringing passengers back to Los Angeles from the race track at Agua Caliente, Mexico, got out of control and as the pilots were attempting to make a landing on the beach the machine burst into flames and crashed. Every one on board perished, their bodies being burned beyond recognition. Eight women were among the victims.

TWO Latin American quarrels reached a somewhat dangerous stage last week. While negotiations were under way for peaceful settlement of the border dispute between Bolivia and Paraguay, there was a clash between troops on the frontier with some casualties. Bolivia said the Paraguayans were the aggressors and were defeated. Paraguay blamed the Bolivians and both complained to the League of Nations.

The government of Honduras ordered a mobilization of troops to dislodge Guatemalan forces that were alleged to have occupied Honduras territory. The foreign minister at Tegucigalpa in a statement disclosed that military movements on the Guatemalan border had threatened the life of the joint boundary dispute conference which is now seeking a solution of the problem. The status quo ante was restored, however, and the conference resumed its work.

MRS. WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, widow of the "Commoner," died of arthritis in Los Angeles at the age of sixty-eight years.

Other deaths of the week included those of Stephen T. Mather, former director of the national parks system; James Dahlgren, mayor of Omaha; George Le Maire, well known comedian; D. A. Boddy, one of the veterans brokers of Wall Street, and Viscount Esher, one of the most influential of British peers.

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Friday, February 7, 1930

NORTHFIELD IN ACTION

In another column Mrs. R. H. Wilder gives her usual book review, taking this week our Annual Town Report and summarizing it in an intelligent and interesting way. What she says will, we believe, release it from the "tons of printed matter turned out every year by towns, States and the nation" that ought to be read but are not. As a rule, our Town Reports are not cast aside unread. We noticed that during the Town Meeting they were well distributed and were followed closely when reference was made to official reports and during action on the various articles in the warrant. For this reason voting was done understandingly, and when there was any doubt in the minds of some, there were those who could and did throw light on the situation because previously they had posted themselves. Take, for example, the matter of the transportation of the school children. This has always been a somewhat complicated and difficult problem. Distance, as measured in miles and fractions thereof, is not the only element that enters into the problem and while we did well by an additional appropriation to decrease the distance from two miles to a mile and a half, it is quite evident that other things should be considered, such as the condition of the roads over which the children must come, the weather, the physical condition of the children, individually. We can readily conceive of a good sized, husky boy being well able to walk a mile and a quarter while that distance would tax the strength of a somewhat delicate girl. However, it was very evident that the welfare of the children is, as it should be, uppermost in the minds of our people. That's why Mr. Parker's excellent speech in behalf of increased transportation facilities was applauded. And so also when it was voted to purchase the old Masonic hall in order that Center school might have a proper playground. Again the interests of the children prevailed and the article was passed. Well, in the last analysis, that's what we are living for—the children—and so long as we do live for them and act and spend for their good, the future of our country is safe.

Although the Northfield Committee against the repeal of the Massachusetts Law Enforcement Act has had but two meetings, its members have carried out the recommendation to prepare and present petitions to our Senator and Representative and to the Defence Committee in Boston. Resolutions and petitions have been adopted and forwarded by nineteen organizations in Northfield, Northfield Farms and Mt. Hermon. Assurance has been given by Senator Cady R. Elder that he is against the repeal and it is well known also that Representative Warner is to be depended upon. The Legislature is to consider the matter of repeal next Wednesday. It will probably pass it over, thus leaving the question open for a possible referendum in the fall. In the meantime every one who wants the law to stand should bear in mind the forces favoring its repeal are putting forth every effort to gain that end. The contest, if it comes, will be a close one. A victory for the wets will be a nothing less than a social and moral disaster.

Federal Farm Board Commends Outlook Service

The Federal Farm Board warmly commends to American farmers the Outlook Service provided by the Federal Department of Agriculture and the Agricultural Extension Service in the various States.

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Transatlantic telephony is a new thing. What its ultimate results will be cannot be forecast. But it is certain that it will play a major part in the future industrial and social history of the entire world. —Chicago Evening Post.

Creeds Co-Operating For Deeds

The faith of men in the supreme spiritual reality may express itself in many differing formulae, in many varying rituals, in many sorts of organization, but in spite of these diversities it has an underlying unity which more and more we recognize, and which tends increasingly to bring us into co-operative relationship for the service of humanity.

Within the Protestant group of sects the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America represents the most comprehensive and most effective instrument for promoting this co-operation. Recently its executive committee held its annual meeting in Chicago, and surveyed the work which had been done, and the field in which need and opportunity challenge further effort.

There has been a good deal of misunderstanding concerning the aims and methods which characterize the Council. Much of this misunderstanding has been created by deliberate misrepresentation on the part of those who antagonistic to the spread of Christian principles in the world's life. There is a pagan spirit in America which resists the message of Jesus. It has its organizations, its newspapers, its magazines, its methods of propaganda and obstruction. There can be no greater tribute to the work of an agency of Christian faith, such as the Federal Council, than the active opposition of this pagan spirit. The more bitter and vindictive it is in its attacks, the more sure can we be that the cause of faith is making headway, is gaining ground. If faith were asleep, complacent, concerned merely with the singing of hymns and the reciting of prayers, the pagan forces would ignore it. Only in so far as it is seeking to translate its ideals into terms of life, into terms of human relations in society, in business, in industry, into terms of citizenship and international policy does it find itself the target of attack.

The Federal Council of Churches has been a vigorous exponent of the spirit of international good will and peace. In this role it has spoken with united voice for millions of American men and women who believe that war is not in accord with God's thought for the world, and that the way of Jesus is the way of understanding and conciliation, of good faith among peoples and the brotherhood which reaches across barriers of race and nationality. And because it has spoken thus loyally and earnestly has it aroused the hatred of those who cling to the pagan view of life and recent years a necessary and apt expression of that view.

At its executive meeting the council invited the fullest investigation of its organization and methods, and took occasion to make clear the fact that it maintains no lobby at Washington or anywhere else. In a statement issued during its Chicago session it declared that it has carefully refrained from employing "any lobbyist or legislative representative, and from using any form of political or personal pressure or partisan alignment, but has relied wholly upon the moral power of its statements to influence public opinion."

The council has a Washington office, just as it has a New York office and a Chicago office, but the annual budget of its Washington office is only \$11,000, and the executive secretary who directs it is paid the princely salary of \$1,500. Three-fourths of the Washington office budget are expended on assisting the army and navy in the work of chaplains and in aiding disabled veterans.

Statements of the council from time to time have supported the Kellogg treaty, the World Court, the movement for reduction of armaments. In all of these statements it has voiced the sentiment of the enlightened Christian conscience of America. The paganism which opposes these agencies and movements for a better world order resents the fact that the Christian conscience of America can find such effective and influential expression—that is what lies behind the attacks on the council in this particular field.

Among other activities of the council, which are largely those of research and education, are its efforts to promote in the churches the spirit of social service, and in business and industry the spirit of good will, of better human relations, of stronger emphasis upon the human values. Obviously if the church is true to the ideals of Jesus it cannot neglect this sphere. It must be willing to encounter opposition, to be misunderstood, to be regarded as a meddler, to sacrifice and to suffer in order that the way of life which its Master taught may become the way of life in every realm of human experience. And here, as in the international field, the pagan spirit shows its resentment of the influence which a united Christian conscience can exercise. Again that resentment is a tribute to the work of the council, and a challenge to all men of honest faith to stand by the council in brave and loyal support.

The promotion of good will between Jews and Christians is a recent endeavor of the Federal Council which illustrates the breadth of its vision and aims. This endeavor is chiefly directed toward eradicating those prejudices which still exist in Christian circles. It is an educational work which may have the most happy results. The common faith of Jew and Christian in the supreme importance of spiritual values constitutes a ground of sympathetic understanding and cooperation which, happily, is being cultivated by both sides as never before.

These are but a few of the many interests which engage the council. It should be an occasion for rejoicing that its work advances. There is, we think, no more hopeful augury for spiritual progress in American life than the fact that the churches have found in the Federal Council a means whereby creeds may unite for service, and the voice of faith in God may utter itself with intelligence and persuasiveness.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Case 23809

FRANKLIN SS. PROBATE COURT
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of ROSE L. ADAMS, late of Northfield, in said County, deceased, intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased, to Ozro D. Adams of said Northfield, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held in Greenfield, in said County of Franklin, on the first Tuesday of March, A. D. 1930, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Northfield Press, a newspaper published in said Northfield, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, FRANCIS NIMS THOMPSON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this first day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty.

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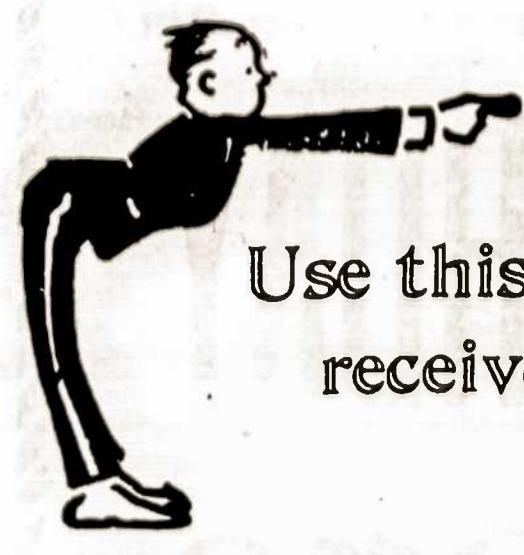
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Here's Matrimonial Ad in Newspaper of 1771

The art of matrimonial advertising seems to be of old standing. Judging from an insertion in the Swedish provincial newspaper, the Carlakrona Veckoblad, of 1771, recently unearthed and reproduced in a Stockholm daily.

It is as follows: "The honorable public will not too adversely note the following well-meant advertisement. As it sometimes happens that a pretty and well-to-do girl long passed unnoticed just because of the fact that honorable suitors do not know her fortune, or how much her parents will bestow on her as a wedding gift, it is herewith announced that, now, an honorable girl, twenty-one years of age, rather pretty, mannerly, a la mode and well bred, who, besides, understands cooking, washing, baking, etc., which, no doubt, will be further improved through her intelligence when she, through marrying, gets more practice in household things, possesses in property, real and movable, about 15,000 Silver Daler, besides which she expects a legacy from her old grandmother. If some decent bachelor, preferably a noble, clergyman or otherwise somehow well-situated man, should speculate, somewhat more precise address of the girl's guardian can be had at the printing office of this paper. But it is stipulated as a condition that none but gallant cavaliers, well built and of good carriage, take the trouble of offering their names; in the opposite case no further particulars will be given."

How Term "Thirty" Came to Symbolize an Ending

Charles Payne Smith gave the following information in the Typographical Journal regarding the origin of "30" as used by newspaper men and telegraphers: "The first press association organized in Civil war times was composed largely of morning papers published near the eastern seaboard. Each paper sent into the central office items of local interest, which were there edited and telegraphed to all members. It happened that the first message sent to the association totaled 30 words and this figure, with the words 'Good night' and the signature of the sender, was placed at the bottom of the sheet by the operator. At that time piecework was the rule on all papers. The daily grip was usually set up, corrected and in the forms by 10 o'clock, but the compositors were compelled to wait around at their own expense until the foreman announced that '30' was in. So '30' became a byword among printers, symbolizing the end."

Canada's Status

Canada is not an independent nation in the same sense as is the United States. Canada is a self-governing dominion within the British empire. At the Imperial conference of 1926 the position of Canada and other self-governing dominions was defined as follows: "They are autonomous communities within the British empire, equal in status, in no way subordinate one to another in any aspect of their domestic or external affairs, though united by a common allegiance to the crown, and freely associated as members of the British Commonwealth of Nations."

Made New Football Game

The introduction of the carrying feature into football is attributed upon a memorial tablet at Rugby to a schoolboy named William Webb Ellis, who in the closing minute of a drawn game in the autumn of 1823, "with a fine disregard for the rules of football as played in his time, first took the ball in his arms and ran with it, thus originating the distinctive feature of the Rugby game." In the forty years that followed, many clubs sprang up throughout England, some playing the kicking and others the carrying game, but all handicapped by a lack of uniform rules.

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The Farm Marketing Program

Marketing executives of the six New England State departments of Agriculture have reported specific results for 1929 of the most potent form of "farm relief" yet brought forward to the aid of New England agriculturists—the New England Farm Marketing Program.

That the program, developed by the New England Council, through its Agricultural Committee, and being put into effect in all six States by the several departments of agriculture, is gaining momentum, and that progress to date has been most encouraging, was evident.

The New England Farm Marketing Program provides a system of grading, standardization, inspection and labeling of New England farm products on a quality basis, and for their sale under the New England Quality Label upon license of the several commissioners of agriculture.

At the turn of the year, the marketing officials reported, grades had been established in the several States as follows:

Maine: Eggs, potatoes, apples.
New Hampshire: Eggs, apples, maple products.

Vermont: Eggs, potatoes, apples, maple products; butter, honey, turkeys.

Massachusetts: Eggs, apples, asparagus, baby chicks, hatching eggs, strawberries, celery, bunched carrots, beets, turnips, radishes, turkeys.

Rhode Island: Eggs, apples, bunched beets, carrots, radishes, turnips, hatching eggs, baby chicks, poultry breeding stock.

Connecticut: Eggs, apples, asparagus, bunched beets, carrots, celery, turnips, strawberries, turkeys.

The adoption of a grade for potatoes is being considered in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

There have also been developed and adapted the following standard containers and markers:

Egg cartons—special or fancy; egg cartons—medium size; egg advertising inserts; asparagus markers, celery wrappers, maple syrup grading samples; Connecticut standard apple label.

During the past year 596 producers have distributed their products under the New England Quality Label. They purchased 2,505,521 labels to use in this distribution. There were 217 producers who used 591,374 standard containers or markers in connection with the sale of their products.

New England Quality Labels distributed during 1929:

	Labels
Maine	32
New Hampshire	25
Vermont	158
Massachusetts	240
Rhode Island	42
Connecticut	98

New England 595 Standard containers and markers distributed during 1929:

	Labels
Maine	7
New Hampshire	13
Vermont	13
Massachusetts	50
Rhode Island	18
Connecticut	116

New England 217 591,374

To interested farmers, agricultural colleges, extension services, Farm Bureaus, the marketing officials reported these facts and others in even more detail. Observers pointed out that the growth of interest in the Farm Marketing Program signifies the increasing interest of New England farmers in modern merchandising methods. With shipped-in produce reaching buyers in standard packs, carefully labelled, sometimes extensively advertised and always easily identified, the New England producer must do as much and more if he is to maintain and extend his grip on the market. The advantages which he has in the Farm Marketing Program over the independent producer elsewhere is that the New England standard "quality farm products" are indisputably fresher, and guaranteed by State inspection.

Canada's Status

The assessors' report, also, is of much interest, as giving, in concise and readable form, the source of the town's income and the use to which the money is put. Many useful lessons may be learned from a careful study of these three pages. The only thing that is omitted, and that we hope will be in next time, is the extent and value of the tax exempt property within the township. This will be useful for comparative statistical study.

Altogether a valuable and useful book. One that will repay the time of the reader. And it is free. It will not be necessary for the citizen to go to the unusual and painful extent of buying a book in order to read it. Although, as will be warned quite truly, it is an expense to the town. However, it may be possible, before next year, for the Town Fathers to pick up a few second-hand reports from other towns and thus supply every voter without argument.

Famous Wax Modeler

Mme. Tussaud was the founder of Mme. Tussaud's exhibition of wax figures in London. Born in Bern in 1760, she was taken to Paris while a child by her uncle, who practiced wax modeling as a fine art. She became adept and modeled many of the great people of France. She married a Frenchman named Tussaud, from whom she soon separated. Removing to London, she took with her part of her collection in the Palais Royal, and the idea of her chamber of horrors. Her wax figures were successfully shown and her exhibition became permanent.

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FOR SALE—One Glenwood Cabinet Range in N. 1 condition, and one pair used laundry trays, faucets, trap and stand. Prices low. W. D. Miller.

SHED DRY HARD WOOD—\$5 a load (80 cubic feet) delivered. E. L. Morse, Northfield, Mass. Telephone 19-5.

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What Happens to Railroad Receipts

The official survey of railroad earnings and expenses during the year 1928, the last period for which complete data is available, has recently been released. It is of direct interest to the public.

The railroads received, for freight, passenger, mail and express transportation and all other services, the sum of \$6,111,735,511.

Operating expense—including wages, locomotive fuel, materials and supplies, insurance, depreciation and other such factors—totalled \$6549,438,996, and the tax bill was \$389,432,415. Deducting these items, the lines had \$1,172,864,100 of operating receipts left. Out of this the lines had to pay \$603,226,797 for rent of leased roads and interest on borrowed money. Cash dividends of \$431,030,910—which provided an average net return on total stock outstanding of but 5.3 per cent—were paid stockholders.

This left \$138,006,393. To this was added miscellaneous income, derived mainly from rental of property, of \$16,814,742, making a total balance of \$155,421,135, about two and one-half per cent of total receipts.

This was the comparatively small sum available for investment in new facilities for making up deficiencies incurred in previous years and to help create reserves against bad years in the future, all of which are necessary factors to be considered in the operation of any industry. It is plain that railroad profits have been minimized, mainly by excessive taxation and restrictive legislation, to the point where the progress of our main source of transportation is threatened.

A Theory Justified

The whole theory of interconnection of electric facilities simmers down to this: If central systems, serving wide territories, can provide the public with better service at a lower cost than localized plants, they are necessary. If not, there is no reason for their existence.

So far, mass production and distribution of electric power has more than justified the theory. Hundreds of small communities are now provided with the same standards of electric service and rates as great cities. The inefficient village plant, with its high cost of operation and habit of breaking down has all but disappeared.

Mr. Average Citizen, when he presses a switch, wants the lights to go on, the iron to heat and motors to turn. At the end of the month he wants as small a bill from the utility as possible. And when he finds that great plants, with their unrivaled facilities for economical and uninterrupted operation, can give him service that will do this, he is in favor of interconnection.

Rural America's future progress is going to depend, to a great extent, on the electric industry. Only great electric plants, serving thousands of homes, can overcome the disadvantages of sparse population that has hampered the development of local plants outside of sizeable cities. Electrical mass production and interconnection brings the greatest possible good to the greatest possible number.

Governmental Research Needed

Governmental research, by tax payers instead of tax spenders, is essential to economic government. The object of such research is to ascertain the work performed by the various departments of local governments, what it costs, and to suggest how efficiency may be increased and over-head reduced.

It is an unfortunate fact that waste in time, money and supplies, seems greatest in operation of local units of government. Burden some taxation is caused by State, county and city government. Federal taxes have been steadily reduced for several years. Every State should have an organization which, on behalf of the taxpayers, scientifically and fairly investigates the operation of governmental machinery.

George E. Hamlin, chief engineer of maintenance of the Connecticut State Highway Department, also is quoted as follows: "Traffic is becoming more critical and intolerant of unnecessary delay. This is a definite cost to the community which more often than not exceeds the price of the remedy. The public in general has signified its desire for delay reduction and its willingness to accept the necessary financial responsibility. To those in command, the opportunity offered is unlimited."

Editorially, the Utica Observer-Dispatch deplores present methods, pointing to "cities and villages which put up lights which hold up traffic exactly as though it were halted by a traffic jam. Signal lights are highly valuable where they regulate traffic. Where they tie up motor cars constantly, they create artificially the delays and costs of heavy traffic. Traffic lights should be fitted and operated according to conditions."

In a study made by engineers of Yale University, it was estimated that the city of Hartford, Conn., is losing about \$18,000 per day from traffic delays. The estimated pace New York city's loss in the neighborhood of a million dollars daily.

Another traffic expert made, in part, the following statement: "Traffic control is years behind both motor car and highways development. The automotive industry has eliminated waste of time and energy to give us the splendid automobiles of today—and our cities make them the victims of the lost time and lost motion beyond computation."

A statement made by a nationally known traffic authority to the effect that signals should move traffic and not stop it, gives the correct aspect of the entire problem.

CHURCH, FRATERNAL AND OTHER NOTICES**TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

Francis Wayland Pattison, Minister
Announcements for week beginning
Feb. 9:

SUNDAY
10:30 a. m.—Prayers.
10:45 a. m.—Morning worship.
12:00 noon—Sunday school.

7:00 p. m.—Young People's Society.
8:00 p. m.—Evening service; the
Rev. E. W. Wilder of India; subject:
"Mending Men in Madura"; pictures.

MONDAY
6:00 p. m.—Sunday school teachers'
and officers' council.

TUESDAY
3:00 p. m.—Bible class for women
with Mrs. Beata Symonds.

WEDNESDAY
3:00 p. m.—Mothers' Society at the
Church.

THURSDAY
10:30 a. m.—Ladies' Sewing Society.
3:45 p. m.—Junior Christian En-
deavor.

7:30 p. m.—Week evening service.
FRIDAY
7:00 p. m.—Boys' Brigade.
7:45 p. m.—Evening Auxiliary.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
SOUTH VERNON

Rev. George E. Tyler, Pastor.
SUNDAY

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL
UNITARIAN CHURCH

Charles Chambers Conner, Minister.

SUNDAY
10:45 a. m.—Service of worship, with
theme, "Youth: Its Promise and
Training." "Business and Among Nations."

12:00 noon—Sunday school.

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SOUTH VERNON

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SUNDAY

10:45 a. m.—Sermon by the pastor,
"Joy Beyond Expression."

12:05 p. m.—Church school.
7:00 p. m.—Service conducted by the
young people.

THURSDAY
7:30 p. m.—Mid-week meeting at the
Vernon Home.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Mrs. Nellie A. Reid, Pastor

SUNDAY

10:30 A. M. Morning Worship.
11:30 A. M. Sunday School.

6:30 P. M. Class Meeting.

7:30 P. M. Evening Worship.

WEDNESDAY
3:00 P. M. Children's Meeting.

7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting.

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(Roman Catholic)

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